



Munhall Bulletin

January 11, 2019

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 14

Gr. 5 Choir

7:00 AM, Richmond Intermediate School

CUSD303 Board of Education Meeting

7:00 PM, St. Charles North High School

Tuesday, January 15

Beginner Orchestra Rehearsal

7:30 AM, Norton Creek Elementary



Student Council Meeting

3:00 PM, Room 104

Wednesday, January 16

Advanced Orchestra Rehearsal

7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Winter Orchestra Concert

7:00 PM, Norris Cultural Arts Center

Thursday, January 17

Gr. 5 Band Rehearsal

7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Friday, January 18

No School for Students - Teacher Institute Day

Monday, January 21

School Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

From the Principal

One School, One Book

All Munhall families will be receiving a copy of the book **The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane** by Kate DiCamillo as part of our One School, One Book initiative. This program has a mission of creating a culture of literacy in every home by providing schools with tools and resources to promote family literacy. The program officially begins on January 21st. A timeline for reading the chapters is attached to this bulletin. A culminating celebration will be held at Munhall at the conclusion of the book. I want to thank our LRC Director, Christine Lumsden, as well as our amazing PTO for the time, energy, and resources that have been given to this initiative.

Modification to the Munhall Snack Policy

As we start the new year, there have been three foods added to the list of acceptable snacks: popcorn, veggie straws, and yogurt. Therefore, moving forward, these items are acceptable, as well as all fruits and vegetables.

3rd-5th Grade Performance Series

Please see the communication below from our Department of Assessment and Accountability regarding Performance Series. Our 3rd-5th grade students will participate in a reading and math Performance Series assessment the week of January 21st.

Dear Parent:

Between January 7 and January 25, students in grades 3 through 5 will be taking the Performance Series computer adaptive assessment. The test has one section for reading/ELA and one for math, approximately 40-50 minutes each.

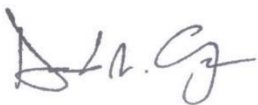
Performance Series results will be used by your school and student's teacher(s) as one piece of information about how each student is achieving curriculum standards. Results information is used to adapt and plan for instruction, as well as to look at individual student and groups of student's progress through standards over time. Information is also used as a piece of information for student programming such as Academically Talented.

The results of your child's performance on these tests will be posted in HAC and/or available at your school. We appreciate your support of our academic program and your partnership in facilitating your child's learning.

More information about this and other assessments in D303 can be found at <http://district.d303.org/assessment-accountability>

Please feel free to contact your building principal or me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Parent Satisfaction Survey Is Open—5 Essentials Survey

Every year, District 303 conducts a satisfaction survey that gives us meaningful feedback from our students, teachers and parents. For the last decade, we have administered a local survey that has provided us with comparable data.

This year, as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) we will now be participating in the statewide Illinois 5Essentials Survey. As a parent, this opportunity will allow you to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness in a survey about your child's school.

You received an email communication on December 3 with the link to the 5Essentials Survey. We appreciate your participation in this anonymous tool used to gather information about our schools. A direct link to the survey can be found at <https://district.d303.org/parent-survey>.

Have a great weekend!

2019-2020 D303 Preschool Program Lottery Registration

Community Unit School District 303 is conducting on-line lottery registration for its [Community Preschool Program](#) from **January 22 through February 4, 2019.**

For the 2019-2020 school year, District 303 is offering a five-day-a-week, half-day, morning or afternoon preschool program at Fox Ridge or Ferson Creek Schools.

The program will be open to children who reside within the District 303 school boundaries, are between the ages of three and five-years old and are not eligible for Kindergarten.

The Preschool fee for the program is \$285.00* per month. A \$100* annual non-refundable registration and materials fee will also be required. (*Monthly fees and registration/materials fee are pending School Board approval.)

Observational tours will be offered to all D303 community parents prior to registration.

Fox Ridge Tour (1905 Tyler Road, St. Charles)
Wednesday, January 9, 2019 from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. and 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Ferson Creek Tour (38W160 Bolcum Road, St. Charles)
Friday, January 11, 2019 from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Names will be drawn on February 5, and parents will be notified via email that day if their child was randomly selected. Registrants not chosen will be placed on a waiting list and will be notified if space becomes available. Should spaces be available following the lottery, online registration can take place any time at www.d303.org or by contacting the Early Childhood office at (331) 228-4834.

From the PTO

Lip Sync

The Munhall student council has chosen the theme for the 21st annual Lip Sync. Go to our PTO website at <https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com/lipsync> to see all the details! Registration opens today.

One School, One Book

As announced in November, our One School, One Book books will be coming home today in your child's backpack, one book per family. The books are a gift from the PTO to your family. If you would like to learn more, visit the PTO website. [See attachments for schedule and details]

Yearbook

The annual Yearbook Cover contest is going on now! Deadline for entries is January 18th. Please see the PTO website for details. [See attachment]

Please submit your winter classroom party photos and photos from any school activity to Munhallyearbook@gmail.com. Be sure to label your photo by event and/or grade.

Remember to order your 2018-2019 yearbook. Order information can be found on our PTO website and orders can only be taken through the TreeRing website. Email any questions you have to: Munhallyearbook@gmail.com.

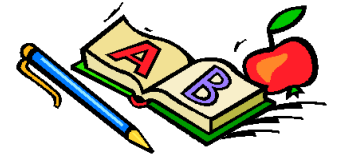
Next PTO Meeting

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, February 12th in the Munhall LRC at 7 PM.



Kindergarten Enrollment

February 6, 2019



If your child will be 5-years old on or before September 1, 2019
it's time to register for kindergarten.

DO NOT WAIT until summer to enroll your new kindergarten student. Kindergarten enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year will be at all Community Unit School District 303 elementary schools on **February 6**. Enroll at the elementary school where children in your area currently attend.

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Bell-Graham Elementary	(331) 228-2100	Munhall Elementary	(331) 228-2600
Corron Elementary	(331) 228-6900	Norton Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2700
Ferson Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2300	Wasco Elementary	(331) 228-2900
Lincoln Elementary	(331) 228-2500	Wild Rose Elementary	(331) 228-3000

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Anderson Elementary	(331) 228-3300	Davis Primary	(331) 228-2200
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Community Unit School District 303 offers both Half Day and All Day Kindergarten programs. All Day Kindergarten is a fee-based program for the additional 1/2 day of instruction. Information regarding All Day Kindergarten fees can be found on the District website at district.d303.org in the Schools menu titled "Kindergarten Information".

The following information is **required** when enrolling for kindergarten*:

- Reliable proof of child's identity and age (*birth certificate*+, *passport*, *visa*, etc.)
- Verification of Parent/Guardian Identity
- Two documents as proof of residency
- Parcel Identification Number (PIN)

*New student residency and enrollment information, *including links to required notices and kindergarten enrollment forms*, can be found on the District 303 web site (district.d303.org/registration).

+Required to comply with the Missing Children Records Act [325 ILCS 50/5]

Complete information about physical examinations, dental examinations and immunizations will be available at the February enrollment event. Students are expected to have all requirements completed by the first day of school. Student assignments will be available in August.

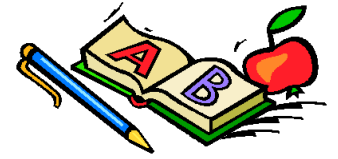
Enroll on February 6.

Your cooperation will enable the school to better serve your child.



inscripción de kinder

6 de febrero, 2019



Si su hijo/a cumplirá 5 años en o antes del 1^{ro} de septiembre del 2019 es hora de inscribirlo para asistir a la escuela.

NO ESPERE al verano para inscribir a su nuevo estudiante de kinder. La inscripción de kinder para el año escolar 2019-2020 será en todas las escuelas primarias el **6 febrero**. Inscribáse en la escuela primaria a la que asisten los niños de su vecindario.

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Primaria Bell-Graham	(331) 228-2100	Primaria Munhall	(331) 228-2600
Primaria Corron	(331) 228-6900	Primaria Norton Creek	(331) 228-2700
Primaria Ferson Creek	(331) 228-2300	Primaria Wasco	(331) 228-2900
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Primaria Anderson	(331) 228-3300	Primaria Davis	(331) 228-2200
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El Distrito Escolar Comunitario 303 ofrece programas de Kinder de Medio Día o del Día Entero. El Kinder del Día Entero es un programa basado en el pago de las tarifas por el 1/2 día adicional. Información referente a la cuota de tarifas para el programa de Kinder del Día Entero estará disponible en febrero.

La siguiente información es **requerida** a la hora de inscripción para el Kinder:

- Pruebas confiables de identidad y edad (certificado de nacimiento+, pasaporte, visa, etc.).
- Verificación de la identidad de los padres
- Dos documentos como comprobantes de domicilio (p. ej., licencia de conducir, contrato firmado de arrendamiento o alquiler, factura por servicios públicos, etc.)*
- Número de Identificación de Parcela/Lote (PIN por sus siglas en inglés: Parcel Identification Number)*

*Nueva residencia de estudiante e información, **incluyendo enlaces a los avisos necesarios y formas de inscripción de kinder**, pueden encontrarse en el sitio web de Distrito 303 (district.d303.org/registration).

+Requerido para cumplir con la Ley de Registros de Niños Desaparecidos [325 ILCS 50/5]

Información detallada sobre exámenes físicos, exámenes dentales y vacunas estará disponible el día de inscripción en febrero. Se espera que los estudiantes tengan todo los requisitos cumplidos para el primer día de clases. Se harán asignaciones tentativas de los estudiantes en junio. Las asignaciones finales estarán disponibles en agosto.

Inscripción el 6 de febrero.

su cooperación permítira a la escuela ayudar mejor a su hijo/a.



Dear Munhall Families:

Greetings! We are writing with exciting news. This month, our school is embarking on a special project, an all school book club called **One School, One Book**. Every family will receive a copy of the same book – Kate DiCamillo’s *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* -- and asked to read it at home over a 4 week period, January 22nd-February 15th. This book is a gift from the Munhall PTO.

Reading aloud at home is valuable because it better prepares your child to be an effective reader. But it is also a fun, worthwhile family activity. With the **One School, One Book** program, we aim to build a community of readers at our school. Everyone - students, parents, teachers, even administrative staff - will be participating, and we can all reap the many benefits.

Your family will receive his/her copy of *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* on January 11th via your youngest child at Munhall. When the book comes home, please take a look at the enclosed reading schedule, so you can keep up at home. Generally, you will be asked to read 1-2 chapters a night – about 15 minutes per night. Also included in the schedule are dates for special Friday treats and an end of event picnic dinner at the school.

One School, One Book is a novel program in that children at all grade levels will all be listening to the same book. Strange or daring as that may seem, it actually makes sound educational sense. Reading professionals recommend reading material out loud that is beyond a child’s own reading level. And we also believe that you can and should continue reading chapter books with your older children, even when they are able to read by themselves. We have selected a title that can be followed and understood and enjoyed by younger students, but that will still captivate and stimulate older children. You will want to make sure your family keeps up, so your child can be included. Throughout the month, everyone will be talking about *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*!

One quick note regarding the content of *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*: We chose this book because of its broad appeal to a wide range of ages, abilities and interests as well as its messages about kindness, compassion, and resilience. We wanted you to be aware that chapter 17 contains a reference to alcohol. Chapter 19 deals with the death of one of the main characters. Please preview these chapters and address it as you see fit through discussion.

Good luck! “When a whole school reads a book, there’s a lot to talk about.” With your help, we can build a Community of Readers at our school.

Happy Reading,
Munhall PTO & Munhall Librarians

One School, One Book
Edward Tulane
Reading Schedule

Day	Chapters	Special Events
Monday, Jan 21	Chapter 1	
Tuesday, Jan 22	Chapter 2 &3	Trivia Tuesday
Wednesday, Jan 23	FREE NIGHT	
Thursday, Jan 24	Chapter 4	
Friday, Jan 25	Chapter 5	Bring a stuffed animal to school
Monday, Jan 28	Chapter 6 &7	
Tuesday, Jan 29	Chapter 8 &9	Trivia Tuesday
Wednesday, Jan 30	FREE NIGHT	
Thursday, Jan 31	Chapters 10 & 11	
Friday, Feb 1st	Chapters 12 & 13	Decades Day—Dress as your favorite Decade
Monday, Feb 4th	Chapter 14	
Tuesday, Feb 5th	Chapters 15 &16	Trivia Tuesday
Wednesday, Feb 6th	FREE NIGHT	
Thursday, Feb 7th	Chapters 17 & 18	
Friday, Feb 8th	Chapter 19	Crazy outfit Day-“Be Who You Are”
Monday, Feb 11th	Chapters 20 &21	
Tuesday, Feb 12 th	Chapters 22-23	Trivia Tuesday
Wednesday, Feb 13 th	FREE NIGHT	
Thursday, Feb 14th	Chapters 24 & 25	
Friday, Feb 15th	Chapters 26, 27 and Coda	Picnic Dinner at School



It's LIP SYNC time!

Register **NOW** for the
21st Annual
Munhall PTO Lip Sync

Friday, February 22nd, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

Norris Cultural Arts Center

Make 'Em Laugh!

***See the PTO website for more details and FAQs**

- Get a group of friends together, choose a song that fits the theme and add choreography, costumes, and LIP SYNC on the big stage at Norris Cultural Arts Center! (Rehearsal is Wednesday, February 20th.)
- Munhall Student Council chose "Make 'Em Laugh" as this year's theme. This would include songs that fit the category of "Comedy, Funny, and Silly."
- Songs will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Adult contacts can request a song and fill out information at here: <https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com> (See below for more detailed instructions)
- Review the lyrics and theme of the song carefully before submitting your request. **Inappropriate lyrics or "themes" are not permitted in this PTO-sponsored event.** The Lip Sync Committee reserves the right to limit the number of songs from the same movie/show.
- Groups must contain 3 or more performers - no solos or duets.
- Performances must be 2 minutes or less and must have a set up/take down time of two minutes or less. The lip sync is traditionally simple. We are to only use props that we bring in ourselves and can set up and take down in a two minute transition timeframe. Lighting is simple (either full lights or dim lights.) We do not permit the following: glitter, confetti, silly string etc. Please contact Jaime with your prop details.
- There must be one ADULT CONTACT for each group. This adult will submit all registration forms/music, receive information regarding rehearsal, performances, etc. via email and communicate this information to all group members and sit with the group during the show.

THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING AN ACT IS Friday, January 25th.

Here's how to register and request a song:

Registration is easy! You must have an account on the PTO website. Go to <https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com/form/m/64539> and fill out the information in the form. Jaime will email the official "approval" within 48 hours of your request. Your song selection is not approved until you get a confirmation email.

If you are not an adult contact and would like to volunteer at this great event please sign up for a shift here: <https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com/volunteer/29259>. This wonderful night comes together with the help of amazing Munhall Mustang support. Thank you for considering it!

It will be another fun Lip Sync, don't miss it! Please contact Jaime Sjogren with any questions.

-Jaime Sjogren
drdance@sbcglobal.net

Munhall Lip Sync - Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is the Lip Sync?

A. The Lip Sync is a PTO-sponsored event that gives Munhall students a chance to perform on the “big stage” in a fun, non-competitive environment. Groups choreograph and perform a two-minute lip sync to a song that fits the theme. Costumes and props are encouraged.

Q. Who participates in the Lip Sync?

A. All Munhall students are welcome to participate.

Q. What is the theme this year?

A. “Make ‘Em Laugh!”- comedy, funny, silly songs.

Q. Can my child do a Lip Sync alone?

A. Unfortunately, no. This is a “group” event. An act must have at least 3 participants. There is no limit to the number of performers in a group (as long as they all fit on the stage).

Q. Can my child be in more than one Lip Sync Act?

A. Yes! Your child may participate with up to 3 different groups (ex. classroom act, Student Council, group of friends). If your child is in more than one act, be sure you tell the adult contact as it will impact the dress rehearsal schedule and order of acts for the show.

Q. Does it cost anything to participate in a Lip Sync act?

A. No - performers get to watch the show for free too!

Q. How do I get tickets for the Lip Sync? Are there assigned seats?

A. Tickets will go on sale on the PTO website (<https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com/form/m/64538>) on Feb 17th at 8 AM through 9 PM on Feb 19th for performer's families with a 6 ticket limit per family. **YOU MUST HAVE A PTO ACCOUNT TO PURCHASE TICKETS.** Tickets are sold and seats are assigned on a first come, first served basis. The Norris Cultural Arts Center auditorium has long rows of seats with no center aisle. There is elevator-accessible seating in the balcony and limited wheelchair accessible seating in both the main floor and balcony. It is critical that you order tickets early if you have specific needs for seating. This show historically SELLS OUT! Purchase your tickets as soon as they are available.

Q. I don't know how to edit music. Is there someone who can do this for me?

A. Jaime is happy to edit your music for you if needed. Email her with your information such as: song title, artist, and if you know the specific 2 minute section of the song you'd like.

Q. I still have questions about the Lip Sync. Who should I contact?

A. Last year 195 students participated in the Lip Sync. Ask around - friends, neighbors, and teachers - they'll be a great source of information. Feel free to contact Jaime Sjogren with general questions and/or questions regarding music editing. Jaime Sjogren drdance@sbcglobal.net

Munhall's Annual Yearbook Cover Contest

Calling All Artists to Enter
the 2018-2019 Yearbook Cover Contest!

Deadline for entries:

Friday, January 18th

Rules

- Drawings may be created with markers, crayons or paint as long as the cover design is dark enough to be cleanly scanned. In other words, photo ready for printing.
- Only drawings in portrait orientation will be considered.
- Landscape drawings will not be accepted.
- Drawings must be on 8.5x11" paper.
- Please submit your drawings to the main office by Friday, January 18th.

All entries MUST include the following:

- The words: Munhall School
- The year: 2018-2019
- Students full name, teacher's name and grade written lightly in pencil on the back of the drawing

Judging:

All entries will be judged on originality, creativity and neatness. Two entries from each grade will be chosen as finalists and displayed in the school office windows by number. Student's name will not be posted. Final judging will be done by each class who will be given a chance to vote for their favorite cover.

The winner will have his/her work used as the front cover for the 2018-2019 Munhall Elementary Yearbook. Finalists will have a smaller version of their drawings displayed on the back cover. If you have any questions, please email Munhallyearbook@gmail.com.